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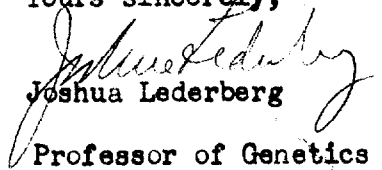
Dr. Tetsu Nakayama  
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Dear Dr. Nakayama:

Mr. Iino has just given me your gift and your message, together with a translation. Thank you very much for both. In the Occident, we are not accustomed to such expressions, but I appreciate your good will very much.

Your letter mentioned your progress on recombination in *Shigella*. When you are ready, I would be very much interested to hear the details. Since Mr. Iino is now here, it would be possible for you to communicate in Japanese if this is more convenient than English for you.

Yours sincerely,



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